# ANUARY 2020

# COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER THE FLINDERS RANGES COUNCIL



The Flinders Ranges Council

#### **AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS!**

Congratulations to all Australia Day Award winners, your contribution to the community is invaluable!

The Flinders Ranges Council Australia Day Honours go to:

Citizen of the Year: Modris Ozolins

This award was given for years of service to CFS, SAAS, Representation as a Councillor for The Flinders Ranges Council, Stockyard Arena Association and representation on tourism committees within the area.

Event of the Year: Ouorn 100th Show

#### Certificate of Recognition:

Hawker Melbourne Cup Lunch and Quorn Kindergarten SALA Event.













### Hawker Community Development Board Awards:

Certificate of Appreciation – Bob and Janet Rundle

Certificate of Merit - Olivia Harris-Fels

Hawker Merit Award Perpetual Trophy – Scott and Stef Teague





#### NEW AUSTRALIAN CITIZENS

Congratulations to Sunny Coulthard and Vivienne Johnson who gained their Australian Citizenship, at a ceremony held on 23 December 2019







Quorn Area School and Hawker Area School Swimming Carnival Friday 7 February 2020 Quorn Swimming Pool

Cricket Finals held in Quorn 15/16 February, 22/23 February, 29 February—1 March 2020

https://www.facebook.com/FlindersRangesVisitorInformationCentre/



https://www.facebook.com/Flinders.Ranges.Council/

#### **LIKE AND SHARE OUR FACEBOOK PAGES**

#### **WELCOME TO THE BROWN FAMILY**

Council would like to welcome Eric and Sacha Brown and family to Quorn.





#### EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Council is seeking to appoint a Finance & Administration Manager to support the Chief Executive Officer. The Finance & Administration Manager is responsible for development of Annual Business Plans, Budgets, Long Term Financial Reports, Infrastructure & Asset Management Plans and monitoring performance against same (including treasury management) and reporting to Council on a monthly basis and producing Annual Financial Reports. In addition, the Finance & Administration Manager will manage and develop Council's IT system and supervise administration staff. This role will ideally suit a current local government person seeking to enhance their career into management. This is a "hands-on" position. An attractive salary package and engaging lifestyle awaits the right applicant.

The job description can be found at <a href="https://www.frc.sa.gov.au/council/employment">https://www.frc.sa.gov.au/council/employment</a> which details the experience, needs and personal attributes. Enquiries to Eric Brown, Chief Executive Officer on 08 8620 0500. Apply by email to <a href="https://www.frc.sa.gov.au">https://www.frc.sa.gov.au</a>/ by Monday, 10 February 2020.

# ARE YOU AFFECTED BY THE DROUGHT? ARE YOU LOOKING FOR ADVICE REGARDING SUPPORT THAT MIGHT BE AVAILABLE?

The Flinders Ranges Council invites anyone seeking drought support advice to call our Drought Support Officer, Kathy Diener for a chat. Kathy is happy to discuss your potential eligibility for Government and other assistance programmes. Kathy is available at:

Hawker: On Tuesdays from 10.00 am - 3.00 pm at the Hawker Institute.

**Quorn:** On Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays – (by appointment) - at the Council Office in Seventh Street. For enquiries, or to arrange a meeting please contact Kathy during business hours on 8620 0500 or 0498 486 019.

#### **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY—WORKS MANAGER**

The Flinders Ranges Council has an exceptional opportunity for an Operational Works professional to lead our Works team to achieve great outcomes for our communities.

To be successful in this role your need to have experience in managing civil construction projects and have strong skill sets in:

- Project management
- Human resources
- Work health & safety
- Managing budgets
- Managing contractors

Appropriate qualifications will be well regarded as will experience in Local Government, but neither are deal breakers. To win this role, you will need to convince us that you have a passion for community relations and strive for excellence in delivering customer service.

The job description can be found at https://www.frc.sa.gov.au/council/employment.

Enquiries to Eric Brown, Chief Executive Officer on 08 8620 0500. Apply by email to hr@frc.sa.gov.au by Monday, 17 February 2020.

## ROUND 2 Council Community Grants Recipients:

Congratulations to the following successful applicants for round 2 of The Flinders Ranges Council Community Grants Program:

- Ouom Area School for \$400
- Ouorn Tennis Club for \$1.500.

## FRC COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM

**ROUND 3** 

#### OPEN MONDAY 2 MARCH 2020 AND CLOSE MONDAY 4 MAY 2020

#### DR TONY GETS TOP AWARD!

Dr Tony Lian-Lloyd was awarded with one of Australia's highest honours over the Australia Day long weekend,

receiving an **Order of Australia Medal** (OAM) for his service to medicine and the community.

Council would like to congratulate Dr Tony on his award and thank him for his commitment to rural medicine and service to our community. Very well deserved.



#### SWIM with a PHYSIO on Sunday

#### **Bushfire Fundraiser**



Adult learn to swim
Hydrotherapy
Stroke Development and Technique
SUNDAY FEB/MARCH 2020
10:00am—11:00am
at the Quorn Swimming Pool

2, 9, 23, February and 1 March 2020

Cost: Pool Entry plus \$10 Physio Swim Lesson Please contact Claire 0413290816



#### **Drought and Grants Support Officer:**

Over the past few weeks, I have received contact from some of the farmers in the area who were looking for information on drought support. I am always glad of the opportunity to provide advice regarding assistance that is available.

With the exception of a desperate need for rain, everyone's needs and circumstances vary. Support available may not suit everyone and not everyone may be eligible for some support programs. My role is primarily to offer basic advice regarding support that is available and to link people in with agencies who can provide information and assistance that is more specific to their individual circumstances.

You may have heard that in December 2019, the SA Government introduced a Council Rate Rebate scheme for primary producers facing hardship during drought. The scheme offers a rebate of up to 50% on ordinary council rates (to a maximum of \$7,500 per financial year) for the 19/20 and 20/21 financial years. It is important to note, however, that this rebate is only available to farm business enterprises where at least one member of the farm business is a recipient of the Farm Household Allowance. Quite often, especially in media releases, the full details regarding eligibility for schemes such as this are not immediately apparent. It always pays to read the fine print.

If you need any assistance to work your way through exactly what support is available, please don't hesitate to give me a call.

Commencing in January 2020, I plan to visit Hawker on a weekly basis. Dates, times and my location on those days will be posted on local noticeboards, Council's website and Facebook Page and in this newsletter. Please feel free to drop in for a chat, or if you would like to arrange a meeting for another time, please give me a call on 8620 0500 or 0498 486 019.

I have created a mailing list which I use to distribute information, either by email or regular post, that might be useful or of interest to those people in the area who are affected by drought. If you would like to be added to that list, please send your email address to me at <a href="mailto:council@frc.sa.gov.au">council@frc.sa.gov.au</a> or give me a call on 8620 0500. If you know someone who is affected by drought, who might be in need of advice regarding drought support, please pass my details on to them and encourage them to contact me.

#### DROUGHT SUPPORT CASUAL WORKS STAFF



Council would like to welcome Douglas, Brody and Nicholas to the Council Works Team. They come to Council as Casual Staff under the Drought Communities Program.

We hope they enjoy their time with Council.

#### Silverleaf Nightshade

Control of Silverleaf nightshade starts with the eradication of isolated plants and patches. Surveillance for new emergence is very important. The Australian Best Practice Management Guide for Silverleaf nightshade can be found at: www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/biosecurity/

weeds/weed-control/ management-guides/ silverleaf-nightshade-bestpractice-managementmanual-2018

For more information please contact Natural Resources Orroroo Office on 8658 1086.

